

## Kinship Resources

Families without involvement with Child Welfare Services may be eligible for:

- **Child-only TANF:** contact your local DSHS Community Services Office
- **Kinship Caregivers Support Program (KCSP):** contact the agencies listed on brochure

Families may also be eligible for: WIC, Basic Food assistance, free or reduced price meals, Department of Early Learning Services, Respite, and Division of Developmental Disabilities services.

To be screened for legal assistance, such as third-party custody, contact the **Kinship Care Solutions Project:** 206-267-7086.

Families involved with Child Welfare Services may be eligible for **Child-only TANF**, and the following programs. Contact your Children's Administration case worker for details.

- **Relative Support Services Program**
- **Foster Care Payments**
- **Adoption Support**
- **Treehouse**



## Get Involved!

The **King County Kinship Collaboration (KCKC)** is comprised of kinship caregivers and representatives from more than a dozen organizations throughout King County who partner to improve support for kinship caregivers, including:

- Resource development & sharing
- Support groups & workshops
- Kinship Camp & respite activities

### Please Join Us!

Meetings are held monthly. For more information contact the KCKC Coordinator at:

#### **Catholic Community Services**

100 23rd Ave South  
Seattle, WA 98144  
206-328-5270  
[kinshipprogram@ccsww.org](mailto:kinshipprogram@ccsww.org)



## Kinship Support Services In King County

Are you raising a  
relative's child?



## Kinship Navigator

The **King County Kinship Navigator** directs caregivers to the community resources described here, and provides information regarding other needs.

The Navigator also helps caregivers access the Kinship Caregiver Support Program (**KCSP**) which provides assistance with urgent needs such as food, clothing, transportation, legal fees, household items, school and youth activities, and one-time help with rent or utilities to prevent eviction or shut-offs. KCSP may be accessed from different agencies (see panel to the right) but it is access for the same fund. Caregivers may access the fund only one time in a 12 month period (regardless of which agency they come through).

Contact the Navigator at:  
**Catholic Community Services**  
100 23rd Ave South  
Seattle, WA 98144  
[www.ccsww.org/kinshipservices](http://www.ccsww.org/kinshipservices)

Please call/email for an appointment:

⇒ **206-328-6858**

⇒ **[kinshipprogram@ccsww.org](mailto:kinshipprogram@ccsww.org)**



## What is Kinship?

Kinship caregivers are primary caregivers of their relative's children, such as grandparents, aunts and uncles, and close family friends (fictive kin).

An estimated 18,000 Kinship caregivers are raising relatives in King County.

Kinship caregivers offer children the chance to stay connected with their family, culture, neighborhood, and school.

**Fellow Kinship caregivers** and many agencies in King County are eager to help caregivers navigate services. Support groups meet regularly:

- [www.dshs.wa.gov/kinshipcare](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/kinshipcare)
- [www.fosteringtogether.org](http://www.fosteringtogether.org) (groups include non-kinship families)

The **Caregivers Connection** monthly newsletter provides information for caregivers around the state. Sign up at [www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents](http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/fosterparents).



## Connect to Resources

### **Family Resources, Support Groups & Kinship Funds (KCSP):**

Atlantic Street Center (Seattle Rainier Beach)  
(206) 723-1301

Catholic Community Services/KCSP  
(Seattle Central District & Kent)  
206-328-5951, [kinshipprogram@ccsww.org](mailto:kinshipprogram@ccsww.org)

Center for Human Services  
(Shoreline) 206-631-9436

Encompass/KCSP (North Bend)  
425-888-3347 x 2307

Fostering Together (Seattle Central District)  
[angela-pitts-long@olivecrest.org](mailto:angela-pitts-long@olivecrest.org)

Neighborhood House/KCSP (West Seattle)  
206-588-4900

Renton Area Youth & Family Services/KCSP  
(South Seattle/Skyway) 206-772-2050

Sound  
(Auburn) 206-459-6467, (Tukwila) 206-604-2099, (Bellevue) 425-653-4821

United We Care  
(Shoreline) 206-920-5304

WA Dads (male caregivers) (Auburn)  
[tschutz@wadads.org](mailto:tschutz@wadads.org)